

Ex. 5 - Deliberative Process

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Referred to FHWA

B.) The background PM₁₀ data from the La Casa monitoring site are as follows:

La Casa (CASA)

Region: Denver

Monitoring Station

4545 Navajo Street

SAROAD:

AQS ID: 080310026

Latitude: 39.779460

Longitude: -105.005124

Reporting capabilities (hourly)

SLAMS: CO, PM10, PM2.5

NAMS: O3, SO2

SPM: NO, RD, RS, TEMP, WD, WS

EPA's November, 2015 PM Hot-spot modeling guidance ("Transportation Conformity Guidance for Quantitative Hot-spot Analyses in PM_{2.5} and PM₁₀ Nonattainment and Maintenance Areas") notes the following in section 9.3.4 24-hour PM₁₀ NAAQS:

Calculating Design Values and Determining Conformity

The 24-hour PM₁₀ design value is calculated at each receptor by directly adding the sixth-highest modeled 24-hour concentrations (if using five years of meteorological data) to the appropriate monitor value for the 24-hour background concentration from three years of monitoring data, based on Exhibit 9-6.¹⁵³ Exhibit 9-6: Monitor Value Used for Design Value Calculation

Number of Background Concentration Values from the Monitor	Monitor Value Used for Design Value Calculation
< 347	Highest Monitor Value
348 -695	Second Highest Value
696 -1042	Third Highest Value
1043 -1096	Fourth Highest Value

PM₁₀ data from the La Casa monitoring site are provided in the table below:

POC 1 1 in 3 Sampler

Year	N	Highest value	2 nd highest	3 rd highest	4 th highest
2015	119	55	48	44	43
2014	127	66	65	62	62
2013	122	81	73	56	45

"N" = the number of days of valid data recovery.

NOTE: There are actually three PM₁₀ monitors co-located at the La Casa monitoring location. POC#1 is a "1 in 3" sampler and takes a sample every 3rd day; this is the primary monitor as so designated by CDPHE. POC#2 is a "1 in 6" sampler and takes a sample every 6th day and POC#3 is a continuous monitor and samples every day.

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Year	N	Highest value	2 nd highest	3 rd highest	4 th highest
2014	339	117	97	92	89
2013	357	144	97	93	89
2012	308	113	86	76	75

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